



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: John W. Macpherson et al. Attorney Docket No.: VANS118245

Application No.: 10/033,695

Group Art Unit: 1724

Filed: December 28, 2001

Examiner: Peter A. Hruskoci

Title: METHODS FOR REDUCING THE AMOUNT
OF CONTAMINANTS IN WATER

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER/
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Seattle, Washington 98101

January 9, 2004

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

A. Amendment Transmittal

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

X 1. No additional claim fee is required, as shown below.

_____ 2. The claim fee has been calculated as shown below.

COMPUTATION OF FEE FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid For		Present Extra		Rate		Additional Fee
Total Claims	33	-	79	=	0	x	9	=	0
Independent Claims	1	-	3	=	0	x	43	=	0
TOTAL									\$0

B. Petition for Extension of Time

Applicant respectfully requests that the shortened statutory period for response to the outstanding Office Action dated September 11, 2003, set to expire on December 11, 2003, be extended by 1 month, to expire on January 11, 2004. The enclosed check includes the 1-month extension fee of \$55.00.

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C. Fees Enclosed

Enclosed is our Check No. 152953 in the amount of \$55.00 to cover the amendment claim fee and request for extension of time fee.

D. Additional Fee Charges or Credit for Overpayment

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this document is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

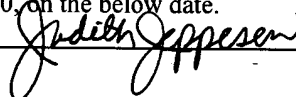
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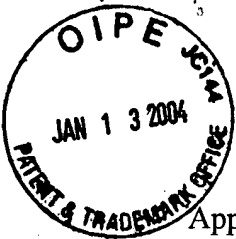
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO PAPER NO. 7

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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This communication is in response to the Office Action dated September 11, 2003.

Please enter the amendments to the claims and consider the following remarks.

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